**Wheel Throwing Steps:**



#1 Wedge up a ball of clay, beginners start

with a nice clay ball about 1lb.

#2 Get your supplies out: bat, bucket of water,

and wheel throwing tools.

#3 Place the ball of clay firmly in the center of the wheel bat.

#4 Add some water to the top of your piece so it slides well your hands. Use

water as needed through the whole process.

#5 Turn on the wheel or start kicking.

#6 Center the clay on the wheel, squeezing it into the center and down towards

the bat. Compress any air bubbles.

#7 Open up the inside with your thumbs, making a well. Compress the clay

towards the bottom until you get about ½ inch from the bat.

#8 Compress the sides slowly with your fingers and make several pulls upward.

#9 Using the sponge, smooth the form and compress the lip of the piece.

#10 Use the modeling stick to trim off excess clay around the foot of the piece.

#11 Write your initials in the clay slip on the bat and place to dry out slowly.

#12 Clean up your mess! Pour water out of your bucket and clay scraps go in

scrap the bucket.

#13 Wipe down your wheel, tools and bucket. Put supplies back for the next person to use.